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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am writing to tell you that, if it weren't for small internet providers and true broadband competition, I would not have access to the incredible, high-speed internet I have today. I live in San Francisco and am a subscriber to gigabit fiber internet provided by a local provider named Sonic. Sonic entered the DSL market years ago thanks to access to AT&T's unbundled copper. If it weren't for that access, Sonic would not have been able to build their customer base, establish their brand, and provide what many believe to be a superior product as compared to the more traditional, large providers (e.g., Comcast and AT&T). I firmly believe that our country should continue to encourage small providers to enter the market and provide truly local options. As I'm sure you know, it is through this kind of competition that all providers are encouraged to continually improve their product and their customer relationships.

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